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contracting office for action. This action will reduce unnecessary paperwork and wasted time for both the Government and the prospective contractors.

1215.606 Agency procedures.

(a) The Chief of the Contracting Office is responsible for establishing procedures for controlling unsolicited proposals received in the contracting office. Within ten working days after receipt of an unsolicited proposal, the contracting office shall review the proposal and determine whether the proposal meets the content and marking requirements of (FAR) 48 CFR 15.6. If the proposal does not meet these requirements, it shall be returned to the submitter giving the reasons for noncompliance.

(b) The OA contracting office is the designated point of contact for receipt and handling of unsolicited proposals. Persons within DOT who receive unsolicited proposals, such as technical personnel, shall forward the document to their responsible contracting office.

1215.606-1 Receipt and initial review.

- (a) The agency contact point must make an initial review determination within seven calendar days after receiving a proposal.
- (b) If the proposal meets the requirements at (FAR) 48 CFR 15.606-1(a), the agency contact point must acknowledge receipt within three calendar days after making the initial review determination and advise the offeror of the general timeframe for completing the evaluation
- (c) If the proposal does not meet the requirements of (FAR) 48 CFR 15.606–1(a), the agency contact point must return the proposal within three calendar days after making the determination. The agency point of contact must inform the offeror, in writing, of the reasons for returning the proposal.

1215.606-2 Evaluation.

(a) Comprehensive evaluations should be completed within sixty calendar days after making the initial review determination. If additional time is needed, then the agency contact point shall advise the offeror accordingly and provide a new evaluation

completion date. The evaluating office must neither reproduce nor disseminate the proposal to other offices without the consent of the contracting office from which the proposal was received for evaluation. If additional information from the offeror is required by the evaluating office, the evaluator must convey this request to the responsible contracting office. The evaluator shall not directly contact the proposal originator.

(b) If the evaluator recommends acceptance of the proposal, the responsible contracting officer shall ensure compliance with all of the requirements of (FAR) 48 CFR 15.607.

PART 1216—TYPES OF CONTRACTS

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AUTHORITY: 5 U.S.C. 301; 41 U.S.C. 418b; (FAR) 48 CFR 1.3.

SOURCE: 70 FR 6507, Feb. 7, 2005, unless otherwise noted.

Subpart 1216.2—Fixed-Price Contracts

1216.203 Fixed-price contracts with economic price adjustment.

1216.203-4 Contract clauses.

1216.203-470 Solicitation provision.

The contracting officer shall insert the provision at (TAR) 48 CFR 1252.216–70, Evaluation of Offers Subject to an Economic Price Adjustment Clause, in solicitations containing an economic price adjustment clause.

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Subpart 1216.4—Incentive Contracts

1216.406-70 DOT contract clauses.

- (a) As authorized by (FAR) 48 CFR 16-406(e), the contracting officer shall insert the clause at (TAR) 48 CFR 1252.216-71, Determination of Award Fee, in all cost-plus-award-fee solicitations and contracts.
- (b) The contracting officer shall insert the clause at (TAR) 48 CFR 1252.216-72, Performance Evaluation Plan, in all cost-plus-award-fee solicitations and contracts.
- (c) The contracting officer shall insert the clause at (TAR) 48 CFR 1252.216-73, Distribution of Award Fee, in all cost-plus-award-fee solicitations and contracts.

Subpart 1216.5—Indefinite-Delivery Contracts

1216.505 Ordering.

(b)(5) Unless otherwise designated by the Head of the Operating Administration, the Competition Advocate for the Operating Administration (OA) is designated as the OA Task and Delivery Order Ombudsman. If any corrective action is needed after reviewing complaints from contractors on task and delivery order contracts, the OA Ombudsman shall provide a written determination of such action to the contracting officer. Issues that cannot be resolved within the OA, shall be forwarded to the DOT Task and Delivery Order Ombudsman for review and resolution. The DOT Task and Delivery Order Ombudsman is located in the Office of the Senior Procurement Execu-

Subpart 1216.6—Time-and-Materials, Labor-Hour, and Letter Contracts

1216.603 Letter contracts.

1216.603-4 Contract clauses.

The contracting officer shall insert the clause at (TAR) 48 CFR 1252.216-74, Settlement of Letter Contract, in all definitized letter contracts.

PART 1217—SPECIAL CONTRACTING METHODS

Subpart 1217.70—Fixed Price Contracts for Vessel Repair, Alteration or Conversion

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1217.7000 Definition. 1217.7001 Clauses.

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Subpart 1217.70—Fixed Price Contracts for Vessel Repair, Alteration or Conversion

1217.7000 Definition.

Lay Days means the time allowed to the master of a vessel for loading and unloading the same.

1217.7001 Clauses.

- (a) The clause at (TAR) 48 CFR 1252.217-70, Guarantee, shall be used where general guarantee provisions are deemed desirable by the contracting officer.
- (1) When inspection and acceptance tests will afford full protection to the Government in ascertaining conformance to specifications and the absence of defects and deficiencies, no guarantee clause for that purpose shall be included in the contract.
- (2) The customary guarantee period, to be inserted in the first sentence of the clause at (TAR) 48 CFR 1252.217-70, Guarantee, is 60 days. In certain instances, it may be advisable for the contracting officer to include a contract clause for a guarantee period longer than 60 days. These instances are as follows:
- (i) If, as result of a full inquiry, the contracting officer determines that there will be no increased costs as a result of a longer guarantee period, the contracting officer may substitute guarantee longer than the usual 60 days; or
- (ii) When the contracting officer's inquiry discloses that increased costs will result or are expected to result from a longer guarantee period, the